Indiana Historic Preservation Review Board Minutes April 26, 2006

The Indiana Historic Preservation Review Board meeting convened at 1:40 p.m. (EST) on April 26, 2006 in Conference Rooms 1&2 of the Indiana Government Conference Center, 402 W. Washington Street, Indianapolis by Chairman, Kyle Hufper.

Board members present were: Vice Chairman John J. Newman, Jon C. Smith, Julie Donnell, Harry L. Murphy, Kent Schuette, Barbara Trimble, William L. Selm and Andrew Seager.

Staff members present were: Karie A. Brudis, John L. Carr, Paul C. Diebold, Shana N. Kelso, Amy E. Walker, Frank D. Hurdis, Steve Kennedy, Adrienne Schmetzer, Miriam Widenhofer and Karen L. Hanes.

Visitors present were: Joanne Stuttgen, Tommy Kleckner, Lora Scott, Laura Minzes, Glory-June Greiff, Link Ludington, Sue Becher Gilliam, John Hardin, Mark Dollase, Dennis Au, Mark Deering, and Kent Farr.

Chairman Kyle Hufper and Jon Smith recognized Vice Chairman John J. Newman for his 25 years service to the Review Board.

Chairman Hufper called for the approval of the minutes of the January 25,, 2006 meeting. Kent Schuette made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. John Newman seconded the motion and it carried.

I. Division Director's Report

Jon Smith reported that the Grassroots Roundup will be held on June 3, 2006 in New Albany, Indiana. Jon asked Amy Walker to discuss the events planned for Preservation Month. Amy stated the photo contest would be held again this year. DHPA would be setting up a booth at the City Market in Indianapolis and there would be walking tours every Thursday.

II. State Certificates of Approval

1. Request by the Evansville State Hospital and the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration for a certificate of approval to demolish Building #15 and #17 on the grounds of the Evansville State Hospital in Knight Township, Vanderburgh County, Indiana.

Kent Farr gave a presentation that highlighted attempts over the past seven or eight years to identify potential reuses for the hospital buildings the institution no longer needs. Mr. Farr indicated he was requesting a certificate of approval to demolish Building #17 (Phantom Bldg.) and allow Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana until July to find a use for Building #15 (Laundry Bldg.) Mark Dollase, representing HLFI, explained that the property is on Historic Landmarks Foundation's 10 most endangered list. Dennis Au, Preservation Officer for the City of Evansville, spoke in support of the proposed agreement. Mr. Au also requested that a procedure be put in place to prevent this situation from happening again. Board member, Kent Schuette made a motion to approve a certificate of approval to demolish building #17 and to table the certificate of approval for Building #15 until the July 26, 2006 Review Board Meeting. John Newman seconded the motion and requested that it incorporate the staff comments. Chairman Hufper requested a roll call vote: Harry Murphy, yes; Kent Schuette, no; Andrew Seager, yes; William Selm, yes; Barbara Trimble, yes; Julie Donnell, no; John Newman, yes. The motion passed.

2. Request by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of State Museum and Historic Sites for a certificate of approval to alter the interior of the Indiana Territory Capitol in Vincennes, Knox County, Indiana.

Shana Kelso explained that the staff had a number of questions about the project. Link Ludington, architectural historian for the Division of State Museum and Historic Sites, attempted to address the staff's concerns. Due to the number of concerns, Chairman Hupfer suggested the request be tabled until the next meeting. Laura Minzes, Director of Historic Sites, explained that construction is scheduled to begin in July and tabling would delay that. Julie Donnell asked how to incorporate staff comments when it contained so many questions. Jon Smith suggested the certificate of approval be granted contingent upon answering all the questions. Kent Schuette made a motion to grant the certificate of approval incorporating Julie's concern about staff questions.

Julie Donnell seconded the motion. Andrew Seager expressed a concern about the recreation of interior features without documentation. Link Ludington responded Seager's concern. Chairman Hupfer called for a vote; Seager voted no but the motion passed.

3. Request by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Museums and Historic Sites' emergency repair of the Glen Black House and Laboratory at Angel Mounds State Historic Site, Knight Township, Vanderburgh County, Indiana.

Link Ludington explained that the garage and library suffered total destruction from the tornado in September, 2005. John Newman made a motion to approve the Certificate of Approval incorporating staff comments. Harry Murphy seconded the motion and it passed.

4. Request by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of State Parks and Reservoirs for a certificate of approval to alter, by remodeling the Food Storage Room in Turkey Run Inn at Turkey Run State Park, Parke County, Indiana.

Sue Becker Gilliam, consultant, explained the project on behalf of the Division of State Parks and Reservoirs. DHPA staff had no comments in addition to their printed comments. Harry Murphy made a motion to incorporate the written staff comments and to approve the certificate of approval. Julie Donnell seconded the motion and it carried.

- 5. Request by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of State Parks and Reservoirs for a certificate of approval to alter, by creating an additional assistant manager's office and installing an HVAC system in the Service Building (Park Office) at Turkey Run State Park, Parke County, Indiana Sue Becker Gilliam explained the project. Staff had nothing to add to its written comments. Harry Murphy made a motion to incorporate the staff comments and to approve the certificate of approval. John Newman seconded the motion and it carried.
- 6. Request by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Engineering for a certificate of approval to alter the Group Camp at Shakamak State Park, Lewis Township, Clay County, Indiana.

 John Hardin, Division of Engineering, discussed the project and the code issues associated with it. Shana Kelso presented the concerns staff has regarding this project. Chairman Hupfer suggested tabling the certificate of approval request until the staff concerns have been addressed. Julie Donnell agreed. John Hardin requested approval for the dining room project. Shana Kelso indicated the staff did not have any concerns regarding the dining hall, as long as design scheme A was used. Kent Schuette made a motion to table the certificate of approval request except for the work to be done on the dining room hall. Julie Donnell seconded the motion and it passed.

III. National Register Applications

1. Huntingburg Commercial Historic District, Huntingburg, Dubois County (1824)

Staff had nothing to add to the written comment. Kent Schuette made a motion to approve for the state and national registers under Criteria A and C. John Newman seconded the motion and it passed.

2. Thomas J. Lewis House, 105 S. Arnold St., Roann, Wabash County (1852)

The staff had nothing to add to the written comment. John Newman made a motion to approve the application for local significance under Criterion C. Julie Donnell seconded the motion and it passed.

3. Northside Boulevard Riverwall, South Bend, St. Joseph County (1859)

Frank Hurdis explained that as a nomination processed by the CLG of South Bend, it requires the mayor's endorsement as well as approval from the local commission. Although a letter from the mayor had not been received, Hurdis indicated Mayor Luecke was in support of the application. Barbara Trimble made a motion to approve the application under Criteria A and C for the state and national registers. Harry Murphy seconded the motion and it passed.

4. Walker Field Shelterhouse, 1305 Ewing Avenue, South Bend, St. Joseph County (1860)
Frank Hurdis indicated the Mayor of South Bend supports this application as well. William Selm made a motion to approve the application under Criteria A and C for the state and national register. John Newman seconded the motion and it passed.

5. Samuel Brown House, 1558 East County Rd., 1100 North, Roachdale, Putnam County (1862)

The staff had nothing to add to the written comment. John Newman pointed out a need for correction on page 8 of the nomination. Harry Murphy made a motion to approve the application under Criterion A for the state and national registers. Kent Schuette seconded the motion and it passed.

6. Morgantown Historic District, Morgantown, Morgan County (1863)

Paul Diebold pointed out to the board that the application was HFP funded. Kent Schuette made a motion to approve under Criterion A for the state and national registers. John Newman seconded the motion and it passed.

7. Fayette County Courthouse

The staff had nothing to add to the written comments. Kent Schuette made a motion to approve under Criterion A and C for the state and national registers. John Newman seconded the motion and it carried.

IV State Register Applications

1. U.S. Post Office and Courthouse (E. Ross Adair Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse)

Frank Hurdis explained that the courthouse had already been listed in the National Register by GSA, it s owner. The staff had sent the appropriate state register notification so that it might be listed in the state register also. John Newman made a motion to approve the property for the state register. Barbara Trimble seconded the motion and it passed.

V. Properties Listed in, Rejected by, or Removed from the National Register since the last Notification

Listed

U.S. Post Office and Courthouse (E. Ross Adair Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse), Allen County, Indiana

Rejected

None

Removed

None

VII. Set date for the next meeting

Proposed date: October 25, 2006, Indiana Government Conference Room A, 1:30 p.m. (EST)

Meeting was adjourned at 2:29 p.m.